

# Associate of Science with Emphasis in Early Childhood Education

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The Early Childhood Education associate of science degree program is for those students who currently are employed or aspire to work in early childhood care and education programs. Completion of JCCC's associate of science degree program provides students the credentials to advance in quality early childhood care and education settings. Credits may transfer to many Kansas universities. Excellent practical education opportunities are available to students in the program.

(Major Code 2100; CIP Code 24.0101)

Early Childhood Education Program web page (<http://www.jccc.edu/academics/credit/early-childhood-education/>)

## Associate of Science Degree

**Important:** Students graduating with an associate of science degree must complete an **approved cultural diversity** course. Some of the approved courses are able to meet both the cultural diversity requirement and a general education requirement. A list of **approved cultural diversity courses** can be found in the list of AS general education electives (<http://catalog.jccc.edu/degree/requirements/associate-science/>).

## Program Requirement

Students must meet the requirements for employment in early childhood care and education centers in Kansas (stated in the Kansas Licensing Regulations for Preschools and Child Care Centers).

### First Semester

COMS 121 or COMS 120	Public Speaking Interpersonal Communication	3
Note: COMS 121 is recommended		
EDUC 130	Foundations of Early Childhood Education*	3
EDUC 131	Early Childhood Curriculum I*	3
ENGL 121	Composition I*	3
PSYC 130	Introduction to Psychology	3
<b>Total Hours</b>		<b>15</b>

### Second Semester

EDUC 231	Early Childhood Curriculum II*	3
EDUC 250	Child Health, Safety and Nutrition*	3
ENGL 122	Composition II*	3
PSYC 215	Child Development*	3
Science course with Lab^		4
Note: EVRN 130 and EVRN 131 are recommended		
<b>Total Hours</b>		<b>16</b>

### Third Semester

EDUC 210	Creative Experiences for Young Children*	3
EDUC 260	Observing and Interacting with Young Children*	3
MATH 171	College Algebra*	3
Humanities Elective^		3
Note: ARTH 180, ARTH 184, ARTH 188, or FL 230 are recommended		
ARTH 180 meets Cultural Diversity		
Science or Math Electives^		5
Note: GEOS 130 is recommended		
<b>Total Hours</b>		<b>17</b>

## Fourth Semester

EDUC 220	Survey of the Exceptional Child*	3
EDUC 234	Families in Society*	3
EDUC 285	Student Teaching: Early Childhood Education*	3
Humanities Elective ^		3
Note: FL 231 or MUS 121 are recommended		
Social Science/Economics Elective^		3
Note: ANTH 125 or ANTH 130 or SOC 125 are recommended		
ANTH 125 and ANTH 130 meets Cultural Diversity requirement		

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**Total Hours** **15**

**Total Program Hours: 63**

\* This course has registration requirements.

^ See all AS general education electives (<http://catalog.jccc.edu/degreerequirements/associate-science/>)